## SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 3 with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Formula (A-II)

wherein  $A_{21}$ ,  $A_{22}$ ,  $A_{23}$  and  $A_{24}$ , which may be the same or different, each represents  $-CH_2OH$ ,  $-COOM^1$  or  $-PO_3(M^2)_2$ ;  $M^1$  and  $M^2$  each represents a hydrogen atom, an ammonium group, an alkaline metal or an organic ammonium group;  $X_1$  represents a straight or branched alkylene group having 2 to 6 carbon atoms, a saturated or unsaturated organic group which forms a ring, or  $-(B_{11}O)_{15}-B_{12}-$ ; 15 represents an integer of 1-6; 10 and 11, 12, which may be the same or different, each represents an alkylene group having 1-5 carbon atoms; and 11, 12, 13 and 14, which may be the same or different, each represents an integer of not less than 1 and at least one of 11, 12, 13 and 14 is 2 or more. 15